

U. S. MAY COMMANDEER NEW YORK COAL CRANT

New York, March 14—The commandeering of sufficient tugboats and lighter by the government to coal army trans ports and transatlantic liners which have been earning soldiers was believed to be imminent here today as the result of the refusal of the boat owners to lease them to the government.

MERRIMAC MEN HELD  
ON BAD CHECK CHANGE

Gladden Dodge and Howard Davis

Remember for VENTURE PEOPLE  
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of Merrimac were arrested in New York today, charged with passing on March 13 because of labor from a specific check which caused their arrest was upon a Brooklyn News bulletin, and they passed it to a Washington street jeweler.











**GOVERNOR WELCOMES ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS**

Electrical engineers belonging to the American Institute met today at the Copley-Plaza, Governor Coolidge and Mayor Peters opened the convention with addresses of welcome. Some of the subjects considered were the electrification of steam railroads and matters connected with the telephone as it applies to business and engineering. The evening session will be devoted to the general discussion of engineering education.

**MEN OF 26TH WILL SEE "THE BIG CHANCE"**

Arrangements have been made for at least a hundred officers and men of the 26th Division to attend the opening performance of Mary Nash in "The Big Chance," which opens at the Majestic Monday night.

"The Big Chance" has the late war as a background, and the final act shows the trenches in France. It is during the course of the action in this scene that reference is made to the splendid work done by the 26th Division.

## ASKS PUBLIC TO SAVE U.S. LABOR BUREAUS

Boston commercial, labor and social welfare organizations are today considering the appeal of the Director-General Demarest that they get behind four of the five Federal employment bureaus in this city and the twenty-two in Massachusetts outside Boston which must otherwise be discontinued March 22, because Congress failed to appropriate money to carry them on.

In his appeal, the Director-General expresses confidence that ultimately Congress must vote money for such necessary work, and says that such an effort in behalf of the Federal employment service now is nothing more than "industrial insurance" for a city or town.

**AIDED HEROES TO GET WORK.**

He particularly appeals for aid for the work the Federal employment service was doing for discharged soldiers, sailors, marines and ex-war workers of all kinds.

"This is good business apart from the sentimental consideration," reads the appeal. "It is the misery caused by widespread unemployment that breeds social unrest and disturbance and gives the agitator an opening."

Many social agencies in Boston are favorably impressed with the appeal, say they may try to keep about the four agencies which are doomed without outside help. Machinery is to be created within a day or two making it possible for such agencies to voluntarily get behind the plan to "save the Federal employment service."

**116 TO LOSE JOBS.**

Seventy-six employees of the service in this city and forty outside will lose their jobs March 22. It is understood that Everett W. Lord, director in Massachusetts, will continue in charge of the work, but without the \$2,000 salary he has been drawing, and that the station at No. 121-123 Federal street will be the one selected to remain open.

William J. Burke, now in charge of the employment station in Canal street, is understood to be the choice of Director General Demarest for manager of the only remaining Federal employment office in Massachusetts.

About twenty of the Boston employees, who are Civil Service appointees transferred from the Immigration Department, are to remain with the work, it is understood, but only after a cut in salary.

Boston men and women engaged in employment work are indignant at the abandonment of the service by Congress, and say that an investigation of what was being accomplished here would have justified a continuance of the offices.

## Bullet Hits Button, Thereby Saving Life of Patrolman

A bullet on his uniform coat saved the life of Patrolman William F. Joyce of the Athens station, South Boston, early today, deflecting a bullet accidentally discharged from his revolver, which would have entered his heart.

The bullet turned slightly upward and entered the great of the policeman, causing a flesh wound.

The gun was discharged while the policeman was investigating an open door and lighted door in the office of the Coleman Hotel Company, No. 57 Faneuil street, South Boston. He drew his gun from his pocket and placed it in his belt before entering the building, and after he had completed his investigation was about to press the electric button when his revolver fell to the floor, striking on the hammer, and discharging. He was able to call the police station, and was taken there in the police ambulance.

## CITY AND CHURCH AID HEALTH DRIVE

Mayor Peters today endorsed Boston's health campaign to raise \$27,000 for the carrying on and enlarging of the work of the allied health charities, the Boston Dispensary, Baby Hygiene Association and the District Nursing Association.

The Mayor, in his communication to Chairman William A. Muller, said: "This health campaign for \$27,000 has my hearty endorsement and I would urge that every man, woman and child in Boston co-operate with the various committees to the end that the amount be subscribed. Unless the people of Boston put over the drive the inhabitants will be the sufferers."

Cardinal O'Connell, in addition to his assurance of co-operation with the committee, endorsed his personal check to help in the work.

The Cardinal said: "It seems to me that when the public realizes and I am sure it will, the good services which the Boston Dispensary, the Baby Hygiene Association and the District Nursing Association are rendering, it will not withhold the little which is necessary for the upkeep of these activities."

It is announced that the campaign will run into next week.

## MEN IN CONGO DO FAMILY SEWING

Down-trodden husbands, give ear! Do you feel yourselves aggrieved? Do you make your wife's clothes? Have her stockings? Envy her peaches? Wait! Run ribbons in your lingerie?

If you are emancipated, and should give thanks that you do not live in South Africa. Men in the Congo do all the family sewing, according to Dr. Edward Lawrence, who has just returned from that region and will lecture in New England later. He is a member of the Royal Anthropological Society of Great Britain.

"Should a man refuse to make his wife's clothes?" said Dr. Lawrence. "Custom allows her to leave him forthwith."

Do the men hold sewing circles? Are they allowed to use sewing machines, or does friend Wife insist on delicate handwork? Do they "sit in leisure moments" Massachusetts husbands burn to know.

Suggested signs for the Congo family druggies: "Votes for husbands!" Love-making in Northern Africa has unusual features, as well as married life, according to Dr. Lawrence. "The man begins his courtship by sewing the girl a little sack of charcoal to show his heart is black. If she sends him back with no rebuff, he sends her a lump of sugar. Indulgent family love sweet: the dusty maiden looks to him. He sews with the lady, she keeps the sugar, but returns the charcoal. If she loves him not, she scornfully sends back both articles. Love plights are as popular in Africa as in certain parts of America, but the African belle who wants a lover sends a puppy dog to make herself irresistible.

True plights is said by the natives never to fail."

**WANT PATRIOTS DAY OBSERVED ON APRIL 21**

An effort to secure uniform action on the part of merchants in Boston, whereby retail stores of the city may remain open for business, on Saturday, April 19, and close instead on Monday, April 21, for the observance of Patriots Day, is being made by the Massachusetts Retail Store Merchants' Association. The argument used is that as Saturday, April 19, is also the Saturday preceding Easter Sunday, the closing of the stores would not only be a great disadvantage to the retail business of Boston, but to the public as well.

## TAFT ORDERS STRIKERS BACK TO CARS

By International News Service, Washington, March 14.—Former President Taft, as joint chairman of the National War Labor board, this afternoon ordered strikers of the Public Service Railway Company of New Jersey back to their jobs, pending a number of conferences and the appearance Monday of representatives of the strikers and the company before the board.

This action was agreed to by James H. Valley, counsel for the strikers, and R. W. Wakelee, vice-president

of the company, at an informal meeting before the board today.

They planned to leave immediately for Newark, N. J., where they will hold a series of conferences with Chas. Ochs, chairman of the war labor board and an expert on street railway systems, and then with Robert N. McChesney, president of the company, in an effort to effect some compromise agreement that they may submit to a formal session of the board Monday.

## CAR FUSE BLOWS OUT, DELAYING THOUSANDS

Thousands of persons were delayed on their way to business today when an inboard car coming down the Public Garden incline blew out a fuse, came to a standstill and tied up a long line of cars behind it, as well as street cars on the outbound track. The blowout occurred at 8:25, and large numbers of passengers in the crowded cars had to wait for a delay of several minutes the station, or was pushed to Park street and run onto a siding.

**SWISS ENVOY TO U. S. WANTS TO GO HOME**

Washington, March 14.—Hans Buler, Swiss Minister to the United States, has asked his home government to relieve him of his duties in Washington, as soon as possible, so that he may return to his private business in Switzerland. It was stated at the legation today. No reply has yet been received to the request.

**CAPT. EATON APPOINTED LIGHTHOUSE INSPECTOR**

Hyannis, March 14.—Captain George E. Eaton of this town, for the past several years captain of the lightship tender Anemone on the south coast of Cape Cod, has been named by Secretary of Commerce Redfield to succeed the late Captain Ordland as inspector of the Second Lighthouse District.

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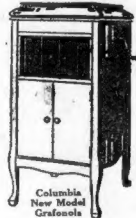
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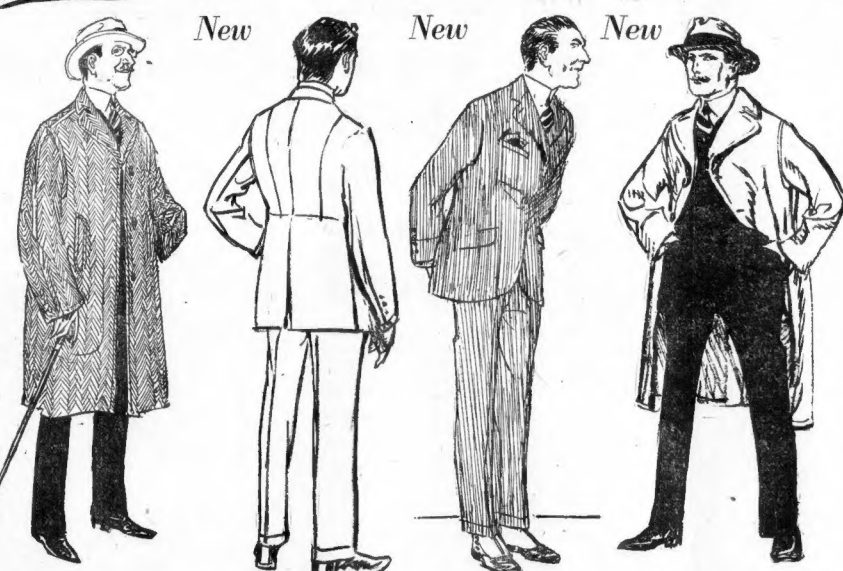
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**waist-line suits \$30**

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**knitted top-coats \$35**

New coats, just out of the packing cases, have an adjustable vent in sleeve for damp weather, and, of course, they're shower-proof. In new shades of green, and Cambridge and Oxford gray. (Other knitted topcoats, \$25 to \$40.)

## Filene's

Filene better values in women's and misses' \$25 to \$35

## SUITS



From West, East, South and North the report comes that the leading Spring fashion is SUITS

Suits are not cast in the same mold this Spring—choose from plain tailored, belted, box and blouse

**Women's string-belt suits, \$35**

Sketch number 1. Men's wear serge.

**Women's suits of men's wear serge, \$25**

Sketch number 2, in tan and blue. Silk cable stitching.

**Women's hair-line stripe and plain suits, \$30**

Sketch number 3. The stripes are used horizontally for trimming. Paris letters praise stripes.

—Other women's new suits, \$25 to \$125. Larger women's suits, \$45 to \$100. (Fifth floor)

**Misses' suits, fourth floor**



Misses' suits with tight shoulders and sleeves and elegant earmarks of fine tailoring. \$45

Suits are so good that the popular treelines and Poiret tails are already scarce

**Misses' pin-tucked suits, \$30**

The tailoring is a joy. Linings are foulard.

**Misses' suits of men's wear serge, \$25**

Narrow string belts. Satin linings.

**Misses' blouse suits, \$35**

Note the new coat, bloused on the hips. Navy blue serge and a few in tan barathia cloth. (Fourth floor.)



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# CONSIDER REOPENING OF NORFOLK DOWNS LOOP

The matter of reopening the Norfolk Downs loop line is now in the hands of a committee headed by the City Solicitor Walter C. Phillips of Quincy. Officials of the Bay State Street Railway Company declare it will be impossible to restore service on the Norfolk Downs line at present, because it would be necessary to rebuild the road and the Bay State Company has no money for this purpose.



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# OPponents of LEAGUE PLAN ORGANIZE

Henry Watterson Elected President of Body Supported by Reed and Borah

Washington, March 14.—Preliminary organization of a nation-wide organization to combat the League of Nations was announced today as a conference held in the office of Senator James A. Reed of Missouri. Within a few weeks the organization will begin sending out speakers and literature to every section of the United States to tell just what the league means.

Henry Watterson, the veteran editor of Louisville, Ky., has accepted the presidency of the organization. He reorganized his acceptance to the conference. George Wharton Pepper, a distinguished lawyer of Philadelphia and president of the Pennsylvania Council of Defense, will be the active manager. Other officers are yet to be selected.

## BORAH ATTENDS CONFERENCE

Among those who participated in the conference, in addition to Senator Reed, were Senator Borah of Idaho, Senator Pendergast of Washington, and Mr. Pepper. A list of names of prominent persons in various cities of the country who have indicated their willingness to cooperate in the movement was presented.

It was decided at the conference that the association should be entirely voluntary and that it should be supported entirely by voluntary contributions. An effort will be made to make the organization distinctly a non-partisan movement and to have the League to Repeal Peace, which has been charged with the movement, received its chief support from the Carnegie foundation that the organization should be to coordinate all the local associations now existing in many of the States to oppose the League of Nations plan.

Several names for the new organization have been suggested, but the one most strongly favored is "The League for American Independence." An organization of this name now exists in the United States.

Under the voluntary plan of organization, it is not believed that very large sums of money will be required. The headquarters of the organization are to be opened in New York.

## BY REPRESENTATIVE SPEECHES

A large part of the literature of the organization will consist of the speeches which have been delivered by the Senate against the league. Thousands of copies of these speeches already have been distributed by the individual Senators.

Although the main purpose of the new organization is to coordinate all the local associations now existing in many of the States to oppose the League of Nations plan, it is stated by participants in the conference that its work will be directed against all activities within the United States which are inimical to the law and constitution of the United States. This includes all propaganda of Bolshevism, anarchy and I. W. W. activities.

Senator Borah will speak tonight in Troy, N. Y. On Saturday night he will address an audience at Rochester, and Monday night at Port Wayne. Senator Borah probably will join Senator Reed at the mass meeting in Kansas City on the night of March 15.

Senator Pendergast has mapped out an itinerary for the Pacific Coast, although the dates have not been fixed.

## FRANK TODD, WEALTHY

ST. STEPHEN MAN, DEAD  
Calais, Me., March 14.—Frank Todd, seventy-six, well known wealthy border resident, is dead at his home in St. Stephen. He was a member of the school trustees for a number of years and a director of St. Stephen Cemetery. He was interested in many business ventures. He is survived by his widow, a brother, W. F. Todd of St. Stephen, and a sister, Mrs. Charles W. Providence of Brookline, Mass. The funeral will be held Sunday.

## PROVIDENCE BANS "WILD" TALK BY RADICALS

Providence, March 14.—Mayor Gannett has conferred with Federal authorities and the Police Commissioners here as a result of a speech made by Jim Larkin, labor leader, in which he is credited with saying the "people should consider buying Liberty Bonds." Mayor Gannett says speakers cannot come into the city without such language. The Police Commissioners are to be at odds over "jurisdiction" in the case.

## SERVICES HELD FOR MRS. BUNKER AT ROXBURY

Funeral services for Mrs. Cordelia Bunker, wife of Alfred Bunker, well-known schoolmaster in this city for many years, were held this afternoon at Putnam Chapel, Roxbury. The Rev. James H. Normandin, pastor emeritus, and the Rev. Miss Hall, minister of the First Parish Church, Roxbury, conducted the services. Interment was at Forest Hills Cemetery.

# Florence Burns of 'Badger' Fame May Wed Again

New York, March 14.—Florence Burns Wildrick obtained at the County Clerk's office a copy of the decree in which she was divorced from Charles White Wildrick. Wildrick was granted the decree in 1912 while she was in prison, after being convicted of playing a "badger" game on Charles W. Hubbard and sent to Auburn State Prison for seven years.

She and her partner in this game, E. H. Brooks, were released from prison in 1917. It is believed she will remarry before she leaves Wildrick, who was mentioned in the case and killed in a hotel room in which Mrs. Burns was his companion. She was acquitted of responsibility for his death. For a short time she appeared in vaudeville.

The divorce forbade her remarriage in this State during Wildrick's lifetime. She did not inform any one in the County Clerk's office of the name of the man it is believed she intends to marry.

For six weeks previous to the play the audience agreed, one of the reasons for the excellent performance given. The cast was as follows:

Leon Bouquet, Miss Marian Sprague, La Comtesse de Saint-Saïd, Mrs. Charles Sumner Bird, Jr., Gertrude, Miss Louise Lefebvre, Madame Aurville, Miss Elizabeth Zornow, Denise, Rosette, Edgar Scott, Dr. Cahas, Richard Bassett, Abner, Tenet, Nathaniel Trayer, Brosette, Paul Fisher, Cher Telle, Toss Butler, John Brown, Mervyn Le Tourneau, Charles Robinson.

The story of the play concerned a French countess, living in 1848. She was a victim of the revolution. A king, who, instead, went to the old traditions of the former monarch, was much of an obsession that her politics become with the time that her confessor and her physician feared she become insane. Therefore they secured a broken-down actor who promised to take the part of the deposed king, when the countess insisted was still alive. He well did the actor take the part that he received all the countess' friends, as well as the countess, who gave him her entire fortune.

But at last the plot was discovered when, one day, oppressed with wine, she decided his true identity to some Bolshevik friends, through whom she came to the knowledge that she was broken hearted. But, after many tears, she decided to reveal the plot to the countess' friends, and the countess' friends, who were only king who, at last, the countess was persuaded was alive, she became reconciled.

The play, as may be seen by this review, is a true tragedy in its sympathies. But, as one of the young ladies of the cast explained, "that may be forgotten, because Bolshevism is ridiculed in the play, and—anyway—the money taken in has all gone to the Bolsheviks, and, besides, France, of government must punish it."

The play, of course, was given in French.

## FOUR WOMEN HURT IN AUTO CRASH; TWO DYING

Lexington, Ky., March 14.—Four women were injured, two fatally, when the automobile in which they were riding crashed into a telephone pole. Mrs. Debra Brockreider and Mrs. Clarence Lebus are not expected to live. Mrs. William B. Judson and Mrs. Preston Weston, her sister, will recover.

Brockreider is a great granddaughter of Henry Clay and a leader in the local and club activities. Mrs. Lebus is the wife of the president of the Lexington Y. M. C. A. Mrs. Judson is the wife of Brigadier-General Judson, who was killed in action in the Russo-Turkish war. Mrs. Weston is the wife of an American army colonel, now with A. E. F. in Germany.

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# PRODUCTION OF 'SIRE' ADDS TO FRENCH FUND

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Society was represented today at the Copley Theatre when many well known young women, prominent in the social and philanthropic life of the city, united with La Cerele Francois of Harvard University in presenting Henri Lavedane's play, "Sire." The proceeds of the play, which were large, every cent and box in the house being taken, went to the Fund for the Rehabilitation of Deaf-mutes.

For six weeks previous to the play the audience agreed, one of the reasons for the excellent performance given. The cast was as follows:

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## 22 LINERS TO RUN TO SOUTH AMERICA

Washington, March 14.—The United States Shipping Board is now building twenty-two ships of 12,000 tons each for passenger and cargo trade with South America.

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## TUBE MEN DENY IMPROPER MOTIVE

Dental of any improper motive in donating \$1,500 to the majority campaign fund of ex-Congressman Walter F. Tague in 1917 was made today by an official of the Boston Pneumatic Tube Company, three of whose representatives donated \$500 each to the Tague campaign fund.

The three \$500 gifts from individual officers of the company which operates the underground mail tubes were explained as "merely friendly contributions, having nothing to do with Mr. Tague's activities in Congress."

In the course of Martin Lomasney's hectic season on the House stand in the Fitzgerald-Tague election contest he declared that former Congressman Tague was a "grafter, quitter and crook" and produced a check in the Boston city clerk's office in support of his accusations.

The return was laid by Francis Henry Tague's majority campaign manager, and disclosed three separate \$500 contributions from William H. Ames, Daniel P. Buckley and M. L. Emerson.

All three of the above men were associated with the Pneumatic Tube Company in 1917. It was charged by Lomasney that these contributions should have been revealed.

Tague (known as he had voted in favor of retaining the pneumatic mail system in Boston, in opposition to the recommendations of the House and the veto of the bill by President Wilson).

In discussing the implied "retaliation" which Lomasney said existed between Tague and the Pneumatic Tube Company, a representative of that corporation said today:

"We resent this insinuation of collusion on the part of Mr. Tague's opponents. The contributions to the Tague majority fight made by my associates were made in the spirit of sincere friendship. We liked Tague personally, although we knew he hadn't a ghost of a chance of being elected Mayor of Boston."

The congressional fight for the retention of our pneumatic tube system was ended, and we were well pleased that the tubes had won on their merits."

Tague did no more for the passage of the bill than more than a hundred other Congressmen. Why should anyone pick him out as an isolated case? No matter what the public thinks or what Lomasney would like to think, the whole affair was open and above board."

## NINTH BANDIT SUSPECT HELD IN \$20,000

Alfred Hirsch, the ninth of the auto bandits who are said to have held up and robbed Tappan, Franks, Brown of the General Electric Company at Everett on December 26, was arraigned before Judge Dubouque in the East Cambridge Superior Court today on three indictments, charging conspiracy, assault with intent to kill and highway robbery while armed.

Hirsch pleaded not guilty on all three counts and was held in \$20,000 bonds for trial Wednesday.

He was brought from New York by Assistant District Attorney George S. Harvey who had gone to New York in the expectation of Hirsch's extradition proceedings and came ill.

Hirsch, according to the statement of Assistant District Attorney Harvey, is the "brains" of the gang that held Brown up. His arrest is considered the most important of the line made.

## ARREST ONE OF THREE IN FORT HILL HOLDUP

A hold-up in an alley off Fort Hill square early today was interrupted by the police, who went to the rescue of Michael O'Rourke of No. 33 Chestnut street, Randolph, who had been beaten and robbed of \$25.

One of the three men charged with the hold-up, John J. Sullivan, twenty-one, of B street, South Boston, was arrested. O'Rourke was dazed by the rough handling he received at the hands of his assailants and was unable to give a coherent story of the manner in which the three men forced him into the alley.

## TWO BANDITS ACCUSED OF \$10,000 ROBBERIES

New York, March 14.—Two youthful bandits are in jail today as the result of a series of holdups staged successfully by one of the prisoners, a detective and finally the second prisoner. They are accused of staging up several delivery wagons and stealing goods valued at \$10,000.

## Bay State 'Biddies' Spurred to Work by Maine Hens

Hens, attention! Are you "on the job"? Are you laying twelve eggs a month? If not, you are slackers, and the chopping block is liable to get you if you don't waken out.

List to the tale of what industrious New England "biddies" are doing—"biddies" with a real New England conscience. Following the announcement in the American that some Maine hens had laid an average of twenty eggs a month in February, Massachusetts and Rhode Island hens are up in arms. Fortunate and sixteen eggs a month are their record.

The Maine flock is the property of Mrs. Mary E. Brown of Bangor. She has 45 hens, which laid 127 eggs in the 28 days.

The announcement was too much for Arlington hens to endure in silence. The flock of William Quinn, numbering 125 hens, laid 481 eggs in February—an average of a little more than 19 eggs each. On three days of the month Mr. Quinn got eleven eggs each.

Beachmont hens are a close third. Twenty-six belonging to Mrs. M. Willey of No. 58 George street laid 441 for the month. This is about 14 1/2 daily for each hen.

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Royal Worcester Corsets \$1.50 to \$4

## BANDIT QUEEN GOES TO JAIL; WON'T 'PEACH'

Florence Duke of Lawrence, the girl motor bandit, who was captured in Philadelphia, has accepted a twelve-year State prison term imposed by a Philadelphia judge rather than betray her masculine companions.

She refused an offer of clemency to "snitch upon her pals," as the slang of thieves expresses it.

The girl—who is only twenty years old—was the Bandit Queen, or Bandit Princess, who worked in advance of the gang of motor robbers with whom she traveled.

New youth and good looks enabled her to pick up acquaintances readily, especially with automobile owners and drivers.

She used her youthful charm to gain the confidence of motor victims for the confidence of motor victims for the confidence of motor victims.

When she was put on trial in Philadelphia for stealing automobiles, the police testified that she had confessed to stealing and helping to steal between twenty-two and thirty automobiles. Many of the stolen cars were traced to towns in Southern New Jersey.

One of her most daring exploits was driving a car which carried a pilot for her gang to a motor truck. She assisted in the holding of the truck driver.

Flourished slipped from Lawrence at the age of fifteen with a youth who is now serving a ten-year sentence in a Pennsylvania prison.

## CASTORIA For Infants and Children. In Use For Over 30 Years

Professor Says: "Internal Baths Give Best Results"

Horace V. Dodge, D. D., Professor of Materia Medica, St. Joseph's Hospital, New York, as follows:

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By means of the "J. B. L. Castoria" simple warm water cleansing the bowels restores the entire length, removes all the poisonous waste matter and keeps it clean and pure, as nature demands it should be for perfect health.

You will be astonished at your feeling the morning after taking an internal bath with the "J. B. L. Castoria." You will feel bright, brisk, content and at ease, as nature demands it should be for perfect health.

It absolutely prevents constipation and the whole waste elimination.

Leggett's, N. B. Jaynes store in New York City.

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NOW we are going to show our appreciation by giving the public of Boston and vicinity values as never before. We have enlisted for the past 6 or 8 months the hearty and sincere co-operation of our manufacturers, who have given us wonderful trades in order to make come true our dreams of making this, our Seventh Anniversary Sale, one of history in the merchandising world of Boston. Lack of ready cash need not hinder you from participating in these bargains. You are at liberty to use our liberal credit terms to your heart's content. You will agree with us in every sense when you see the values below; that, in justice to yourself, you cannot afford to pass over this event lightly.

**Tea Party Brussels Rugs**  
Size 9x12, slightly imperfect in design, but scarcely noticeable. The fabric is absolutely perfect in every way. Only 100 rugs in the lot. Worth regularly \$15.00. Anniversary Sale Price **\$22.50**

**Table Lamps**  
Solid mahogany with two chain pull shades and either brass or nickel finish. Worth \$12.50. Anniversary Sale Price **\$8.95**

**4-Piece Solid Fumed Oak Library Set** **\$27.50**

A white enamel of furniture for either the library or the living room. Made of solid oak in rich fumed finish. Seats of chair, rocker and settee nicely upholstered, and table to match the set has magazine shelf and stationery drawer. Don't miss this.

**Adam Period Mahogany Dining Room Suite**  
Splendidly designed and well proportioned, and in finished in solid mahogany. The three pieces, consisting of Buffet, Table and China Cabinet. Anniversary Sale Price **\$122.50**

**Laundry Bags**  
Of extra heavy cotton, sewed designs and colorings. 28x35 inches, with pale top and white cord loops. Anniversary Sale Price **59c**

**Bedroom Suite**  
The above is an exact illustration of a splendid 3-piece suite. It is finished in mahogany or walnut and is a wonderful value. Worth \$150. Anniversary Sale Price **\$112.50**

**3-Piece Parlor Suite**  
Exceptionally well designed, finished in mahogany and upholstered in tapestry. Regular value is \$75. Anniversary Sale Price **\$44.50**

**4-Piece Jacobean Dining Suite**  
Each of these 4 pieces is individually made and is very beautiful. This suite is also finished in solid mahogany and is a wonderful value. The 4 pieces are worth \$220. Anniversary Sale Price **\$162.50**

**Dresser Values**  
A lucky purchase made months ago especially for this sale and at about 1/2 the present market value has just arrived in the nick of time.

**Refrigerator**  
This dresser has an extra large mirror and is finished in gold oak with a silver mirror. Anniversary Sale Price **\$19.75**

**Baby Carriage**  
Made of real, excellent spring construction. Worth \$35.00. Anniversary Sale Price **\$29.85**

**Bar Harbor Rocker**  
Crisp, upholstered back and loose cushion seat. Worth \$18.00. Anniversary Sale Price **\$7.85**

**Genuine Leather**  
An exceptionally well constructed Rocker with good seat springs and upholstered in genuine leather. Worth \$25.00. Anniversary Sale Price **\$18.75**

**An Overstuffed Tapestry Suite**  
Comfortable, serviceable, attractive and excellently made. The frame is mahogany and the upholstery is tapestry. Worth \$196.50. Anniversary Sale Price **\$125.00**

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**"Stylish Made" Bandeaux Brassieres**, lace top yoke effect, dainty pink body cloth, fastened front model; sizes 34 to 40. **\$5.00**

**Brassiere Bust Supporters**, in Hamburg yoke effects, made by "De Bonville" model fastened in front with restproof hooks and eyes; sizes 38 to 46. **\$6.00**

**De Bonville Bandeaux Corset**, one of the season's most approved models, made of fine pink body cloth; both fastened front and back hook effects; sizes 32 to 44. **\$1.00**

**Model Brassieres**, smart lace yoke effects, front body cloth, under arm reinforcement; back front sizes 36 to 44. **\$1.00**

**Two Elastic Brassieres**. **\$1.50 to \$2.00**

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Friday

# BOSTON AMERICAN SPORTS

March 14



The Blow Almost Put the Judge Out

By TAD



This cartoon in animated form released exclusively by the Educational Film Corporation of America.

## ENGLISH HIGH IN TIGHT TUSSLE WITH LATIN

The second day's competition in the Boston English-Latin contest is expected to be a close one. The contest is being held at the Boston Public Library. The English team is led by Captain John Smith, and the Latin team is led by Captain John Doe. The contest is expected to be a close one.

## COLLYER'S SELECTIONS.

AT NEW ORLEANS.  
—Tip, and Goodell, Pades.  
—Laurie Miller, Mumbo Jumbo.  
—Franklin, Assum, Frederick the Great.  
—Katie, Thirty-Nine, Lady Small.  
—Master Marjorie, Hope, Munchen.  
—Indolence, Plavida, Leah Cackran.  
Next probable: SPENDER.  
AT HAVANA.  
—Lester, Sylvia, The Crocker.  
—Laverder, Miss Ivan the Terrible.  
—Blackwater, Presumptive, Brown Baby.  
—Beauty shop, Peep Again, Nephew.  
—Taffy, Halfon, Ambrose.  
—Leontine, Linnetas, Lady Lounger.  
Next probable: CLIPPER.

## TWO AND THREE PUTTING THE NEXT ONE OVER WITH "BUGS" BAER.

Another Whirl at the Income Tax. THIS has been a tough winter for the Kaiser and the show contractors. Not enough have prospered down to make a blanket for a flea. While the Kaiser and the show contractors are in a state of financial collapse, the income tax is still a thing. It is a thing that is still a thing.

## HOME OF ACTION HAS NIFTY BIFF BILL CARDED

Ringside's Selections. Jimmy Brennan to beat Young Brown. Tommy Marks to beat Teddy Worthy. Dan McCormack to beat Eddie Harrell. Young Veto to beat Johnny Weathers.

## BASEBALL NEWS AND GOSSIP

The Braves have killed two of their open dates following the opening of the season. The Braves have killed two of their open dates following the opening of the season. The Braves have killed two of their open dates following the opening of the season.

## TUFTS SQUAD IS TURNED OVER TO O'MARA

Prize to Mara has been appointed head coach by the Tufts Athletic Association. He succeeds Jack Satterly, who leaves the school with the end of the year. He succeeds Jack Satterly, who leaves the school with the end of the year.



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## AMATEUR NEWS AND GOSSIP

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## MAGUIRE TAILORING SALE

English Woollens. Suits and Overcoats. \$20 Suits and Overcoats \$16.50. \$25 Suits and Overcoats \$21.50. \$30 Suits and Overcoats \$25.50. \$35 Suits and Overcoats \$29.50. \$40 Suits and Overcoats \$34.50. \$45 Suits and Overcoats \$38.50. \$50 Suits and Overcoats \$42.50.

**Mark-Down Sale**

**We're Not Going to Talk Much More About This**

Our stock is getting down to where it ought to be and we're nothing more to worry about. So if any there be who still want to get in on this money-saving opportunity, they'd better get busy---because

**The Sale Ends Next Week**

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**\$40 Suits and Overcoats \$34.50**  
**\$45 Suits and Overcoats \$38.50**  
**\$50 Suits and Overcoats \$42.50**

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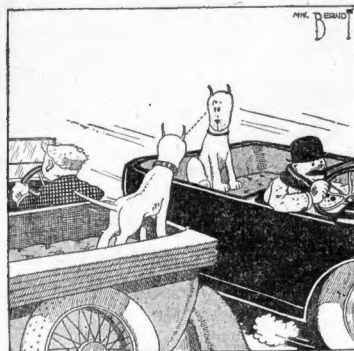
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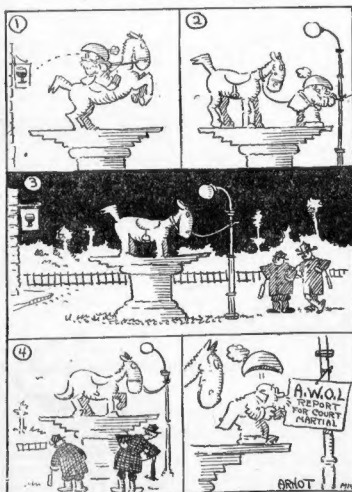
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DEAR MR. KABIBBLE  
MY HUSBAND IS SHORT IN HIS PAY THIS WEEK—  
WHAT CAN THE REASON BE?  
THE GOVERNMENT MUST HAVE AN INCOME AS  
WELL AS YOU!

## MARY'S HOME FROM COLLEGE

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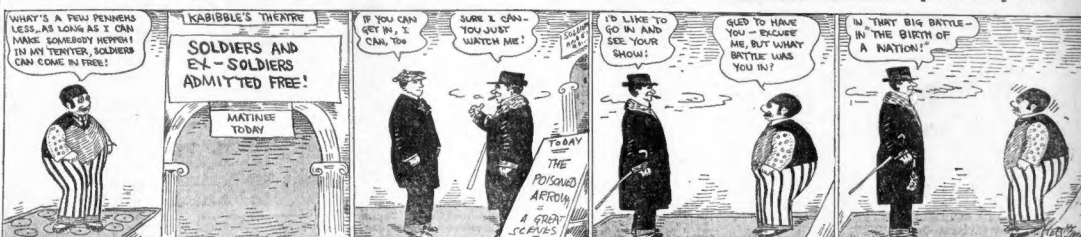
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## Abie Will Have to Look Up History a Bit



## POLLY AND HER PALS

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## Ashur Might Try the Same Plan



## US BOYS

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## Savage Shrimp, the Boy Bandit, Gets the Razz



## Tax Framers Ask Aid

## POLICEMEN

## LIKELY

### Curtis Declares Clause In Estimates Allows for Requisition

That the much-discussed raise for police officers hinges on agreement between Mayor Peters and Commissioner Curtis was indicated in a state-

Replying to repeated questioning as to why the annual department budget contained no arrangement for increases, the commissioner said: "When the budget was filed this statement was written in it: There

As no sum indicated in this budget for an increase of pay for patrolman, no amount has been agreed upon by the Mayor and commissioner. A subsequent requisition can be made at any time under provision of Statutes of 1906, Chapter 291, section B."

the raise. As far as he is concerned it depends whether or not the extra amount can be raised without inconveniencing the Mayor and Finance Commission. It is expected there will be conferences between Mr. Curtis and the Mayor on the question shortly before final decision is reached.

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## DEATHS

**BENNETT**—In Dorchester, March 13, Edwin A., beloved husband of Lottie Bennett (neé Tourtellot), 64 yrs. 11 mos.

Funeral services at residence, 1408 Dorchester av., Saturday at 2 p. m. Relatives and friends invited. Auto carriage.

**BUCKLES**—In Medford, March 13, Emily Fitzpatrick, beloved wife of Lionel Buckles.

**BURDET** in Dorchester, March 12, William Burdet, 24 Dorchester, died at his home, 100 West Baltimore st., at 11:30 a. m. Cause of death, pneumonia. Burial, Mt. Hope cemetery, Saturday, March 13, at 11:30 a. m. Friends called at the residence, 100 West Baltimore st., from 10 a. m. to 12 m. on Saturday.

**CHADWELL** in Lynn, March 12, Mrs. Mary Ann Chadwell, widow of George Chadwell, died at her home, 100 West Baltimore st., at 11:30 a. m. Cause of death, pneumonia. Burial, Mt. Hope cemetery, Saturday, March 13, at 11:30 a. m. Friends called at the residence, 100 West Baltimore st., from 10 a. m. to 12 m. on Saturday.

**COLLEMAN** in Milton, March 12, John Coleman, husband of Catherine E. Coleman, died at his home, 100 West Baltimore st., at 11:30 a. m. Cause of death, pneumonia. Burial, Mt. Hope cemetery, Saturday, March 13, at 11:30 a. m. Friends called at the residence, 100 West Baltimore st., from 10 a. m. to 12 m. on Saturday.

**COOPER** in Alexandria, Va., suddenly, of Frank A. and Louise (nee Hart) Cooper, at her home, 100 West Baltimore st., at 11:30 a. m. Cause of death, pneumonia. Burial, Mt. Hope cemetery, Saturday, March 13, at 11:30 a. m. Friends called at the residence, 100 West Baltimore st., from 10 a. m. to 12 m. on Saturday.

**DODGE** in St. Louis, March 12, John Dodge, died at his home, 100 West Baltimore st., at 11:30 a. m. Cause of death, pneumonia. Burial, Mt. Hope cemetery, Saturday, March 13, at 11:30 a. m. Friends called at the residence, 100 West Baltimore st., from 10 a. m. to 12 m. on Saturday.

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## Philip Cabot and the Gas Situation in the State

The legislative committee on Public Lighting heard some remarkable and enlightening testimony Wednesday from Mr. Philip Cabot, who, though a director and large shareholder in a number of gas and electric companies and an opponent of public ownership, spoke with refreshing frankness of the faults and shortcomings of one of the privately owned public utilities of Massachusetts. He told the committee some important facts about gas, and in answer to questions admitted others that every consumer of gas ought to know and remember.

The people of Massachusetts, Mr. Cabot asserted, are paying a good deal too much for gas, and are likely to be obliged to pay still more—not, he alleges, because the companies are making too much money, but merely because they are using archaic methods of manufacture. By introducing the improved processes which have been successfully used for years in the Middle West, the by-products of gas-making—coke, tar, ammonia, benzol and others—can be made to more than pay for the coal and for the costs and reasonable profits of manufacture, so that THE GAS CAN ACTUALLY BE PLACED IN THE HOLDER AT A COST OF NOTHING AT ALL, LEAVING NOTHING TO BE RIGHTFULLY CHARGED TO THE CONSUMER BUT THE COSTS OF DISTRIBUTION.

This cannot be done on a small scale, however. To bring it about, the sixty or more gas-producing companies or plants in the State must be consolidated into ten or a dozen, of which a single one, supplying Greater Boston, would manufacture one-half of the present total output of twenty billions of cubic feet.

These great central gas factories, supplying gas to the holders of the several cities and towns, should be left, Mr. Cabot argues, under private ownership regulated by the Gas and Electric Commission, but the municipal distributing plants, having but a very simple function to perform, might better be publicly owned. The gas companies, he states, are well aware of the vast savings which might be effected by this concentration of manufacturing facilities, but have been deterred from undertaking it by the public prejudice against consolidations of public utility corporations.

The reason Mr. Cabot expects the price of gas to continue to rise under the present system of small-scale production is that the \$10,000,000 received by the companies in 1917 was only enough after providing for production and distribution costs and a proper reservation for depreciation and obsolescence, to pay dividends of 3 per cent. on the invested capital, which he estimated at seventy-eight to eighty millions.

When asked by the committee to reconcile this showing with THE ACTUAL PAYMENT BY THE COMPANIES OF DIVIDENDS RANGING FROM SEVEN TO FIFTEEN PER CENT. he admitted that a large part of the "invested capital" consisted of surplus earnings of previous years which had been used in extending and improving the plants. He admitted also that THE GAS SHAREHOLDERS ARE MAKING LARGE INDIRECT PROFITS FROM SUBSIDIARY COMPANIES without any additional investments of capital by themselves, and he roundly denounced the policy of allowing the gas sold by "regulated" companies to be manufactured by a company not under public regulation or control. On the whole, Mr. Cabot's indictment of the existing gas situation was a severe one, but he might easily have made it much more severe. He might have said that of the alleged eighty millions of "invested capital" only some forty-six millions is in capital stock, of which the greater part is probably water. HE MIGHT HAVE ADDED THAT OF THE EIGHTEEN MILLIONS PAID FOR GAS IN 1917 FULLY TEN MILLIONS WERE A TRIBUTE TO MONOPOLY, PAID BY THE PEOPLE OF MASSACHUSETTS AS A DESERVED PENALTY FOR THE POLLY OF INTERESTING A GREAT PUBLIC UTILITY TO EXPLOITATION BY PRIVATE PROFITEERS.

## What Is the Cheapest Labor in the World?

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What is the cheapest labor in the world? Not the tribesman's who carries a pack in Africa, or the coolie's who shoves a sampan on the Chinese rivers. No; but the wife's and mother's in the home.

No man who earns \$20 a week and gives his wife \$15 of it but thinks he is a model husband, supporting her and the family. And then descends upon her the municipal government, which insists that she get her children to school clean and, if possible, neat; the parents workers, who tell her how she must keep her premises sanitary and her children's food nourishing and varied; the landlord, the shopkeepers and her old man himself, who thinks he has a right to a little bit of comfort and relaxation at home.

She is no fool. She may not be formally educated, but she is no fool. Inefficiency goes under in the struggle she has to go through. She knows all about the eight-hour day; she works two of them in every twenty-four hours. She knows all about the theory of recreation from change of type of work; she has half a dozen types of work, all steady jobs. She knows all about fatigues, too, from constant, practical experience.

Why does she so seldom strike? Partly because of the human tendency to stay in a rut; habit, what William James called the "great flywheel of society." Partly from pride; most of us would rather go to smash than be pitted by our neighbors. Partly from the persistence of that traitor to self-interest, the maternal instinct; she coos on year after year, racking her body with hard labor and her brain with worry, every so often facing suffering and even death to give another life to the world, recognizing the grimness of her lot, but accepting it often with hardly even a complaint.

Surely she ought to have a paragraph to herself in the constitution of the new league of nations. For if the rights of any sort of labor, under any sort of conditions, deserve to be recognized, surely hers do.

# BOSTON AMERICAN

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## YE TOWN GOSSIP

By K. C. B.

HE WAS sitting in the lobby.

OF THE Palace Hotel.

IN SAN Francisco.

AND LOOKING very sad.

AND I know him.

HE'S A friend of mine.

AND HE sells meat.

IN LARGE quantities.

AND BECAUSE he was sad.

I SAT down.

AND TRIED to cheer him.

AND HE told me a story.

ABOUT A horse.

AND HE reins his horses.

FROM A lively man.

AND ONE morning.

ONE OF his wagons.

CAME TO A stop.

IN FRONT of a stable.

AND THE forist man.

HAD A lot of plants.

ON THE edge of the sidewalk.

GIVING THEM air.

AND A morning later.

AND THE lively horse.

TOOK A nibble at a plant.

AND LIKED the taste.

AND ATE it.

AND SELECTED another.

AND ATE that.

AND ALTOGETHER.

HE DESTROYED four.

AND THE forist man.

CAME OUT on the sidewalk.

AND BECAME excited.

AND "SHOOED" at the horse.

AND THE horse backed up.

AND AN automobile.

THAT WAS coming along.

HAD TO swerve.

TO ESCAPE the wagon.

AND A careless man.

WALKED into the auto.

AND DISLOCATED his knee.

AND THAT night.

THE LIVELY horse died.

FROM EATING the plants.

AND THE forist man.

IS SINGING the lively man.

AND THE lively man.

IS BEING the meatman.

AND THE careless man.

WHO WALKED into the auto.

IS SINGING the owner.

AND THE auto owner.

IS BEING the lively man.

AND THE lively man.

HAS STARTED another quit.

AGAINST the meatman.

AND IT'S all mixed up.

AND THE meatman.

HAS A graphic chart.

ON THE wall of his office.

TO KEEP track of it all.

AND HE'S having nightmares.

AND HE'S just dreamed.

THAT HE was a horse.

HITCHED UP to an auto.

AND DELIVERING plants.

AND THAT the man that drove him.

HAD EATEN one of the plants.

AND DIED.

AND I couldn't help him.

AND I left him.

GEORGE A. LYONS

FORIST

THANK YOU

## The Frog Pond

By Morton Birge

"BATED WITH WHAT?" Inspired composer sets up copy to read that the next Tagore-Fitzgerald contested election hearing is awaited "with bated breath."

ESPECIALLY THE "LIE DIRECT" In connection with the Tagore-Fitzgerald reports one is reminded more and more of the seven stages of argument listed in "As You Like It," as follows:

"The Retort Courteous," "The Quip Modest," "The Reply Charlish," "The Reproof Valiant," "The Countercheck Quarrelsome," "The Lie with Circumstance," "The Lie Direct."

EARLY FISH TRUST Profiteering on fish is an old, old sport. The "Roman Apothecary" of Plutarch gives us the following:

"Cato the Elder considered how that city was preserved wherein a fish was sold for more than an ox."

FOR INFANT INDUSTRY WANTED—A baby carriage. G. J. FARWELL—Adv. from Skagway Daily Alaskan.

WOULD INTOXICATE MOST ANYBODY Police Chief Thomas H. Larkin of Nahant blames lower car fares to Nahant, compared with fares to other licensed places nearby, for the increased number of Nahant arrests for intoxication in 1918.

EXTRA ACT NOT ON THE HILL Burglars blow open box office safe in New York theatre and secure \$2,700 in cash and bonds.

TAKING THE "POPS" OUT OF THE "POPS" Only soft drinks at the "Pop" concerts at Symphony Hall this season. Another sector taken by the prohibition forces.

NEWTON RESUMES After building only four single houses in two years, Newton now shows twenty-one single-house collars begun in the past ten days.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Favors Federal Control Editor Boston American: Your editorial regarding the water power question in the State of Maine is timely, but does not go far enough to strike at the root of the matter. That one State can withhold from another its natural resources when by such release no injury is done, is not sound law and seems a violation of both Federal and interstate rights.

It is high time that all water power in the United States should be put under the control of the Federal government, and as such developed. There should be created at Washington a department known as the "Department of Water Power," embracing the question as a whole, including financing and constructing. Bonds for each development should be issued to cover construction and one year's operation. A twenty-year bond at 5 per cent. could easily sell at 110 at no cost of advertising. The charge for service should be based upon construction and

MARCH 14, 1919.  
BOSTON.

## HOW FAST A BODY FALLS THROUGH SPACE

By Garrett P. Serviss

"Will you please let us know which is heavier, a body of lead or a body of silver, when they are both of the same dimensions?"—Readers."

THIS lead is heavier in the ratio (roughly) of 11 to 9. A cubic foot of silver weighs about 655 pounds and a cubic foot of lead about 710 pounds.

A cubic foot of gold weighs about 1,201 pounds, while the same amount of aluminum weighs only a trifle over 169 pounds. There are two well-known metals which are heavier than gold, viz., platinum, which weighs 1,347 pounds per cubic foot, and iridium, whose weight per cubic foot is 1,394 pounds.

The weight of pure iron varies considerably according to its state. If it is cast into the shape of 490 pounds per cubic foot, and if wrought iron 480 pounds. Mercury weighs 830 pounds per cubic foot, and differs from all other metals by being liquid at ordinary temperatures. The lightest metal is magnesium, weighing only 109 pounds per cubic foot, which is nearly the same as the weight of ordinary brick.

I have added these figures about other metals thus lead and silver because the property of density is a very instructive thing to think about. For instance, if one metal is denser than another a cubic foot or a cubic inch of it weighs more than a cubic foot or a cubic inch of the other, and consequently one might suppose that in the heavier and denser of the two substances the molecules would be held more rigidly together than in the lighter one. But this does not follow.

## The Determining Factor

It is evident, then, that the relative weight or density of different substances does not depend upon their solidity, but upon the intrinsic heaviness of their ultimate particles or molecules and the number of these included in a given space.

A rolling wave of mercury would strike with double the momentum of the same quantity of solid lead moving with the same velocity, and with fourteen times that of a wave of water. It would knock a man down like a shot. Although the molecules of mercury are specifically heavier than those of iron, yet their grip upon one another is so far loosened by any degree of heat exceeding 39 degrees below zero that they slide over one another without friction, and press in every direction like the molecules of water. But reduce the temperature far enough and the liquid mercury becomes a solid.

If you can squeeze a substance into a smaller space you increase its density. It might be thought that while solids must evidently be but slightly compressible, liquids would be easily compressed. The notion seems widely to prevail that water must suffer much compression at great depths in the sea, and that is the source of the popular fallacy about sunken ships floating at certain depths below the surface.

Resistance of Liquids But the fact is that liquids are almost as resistant to compression as solids, and more so than some solids. It is practically almost impossible to increase the density of water by squeezing it in a confined space.

At the depth of a mile the pressure of the water upon itself would increase its density so slightly that only about eight ounces would be added to the weight of a cubic foot. At the normal weight of the latter being 62 or 63 pounds. This shows the reason why a body like a ship which has once sunk below the surface will keep on sinking until it reaches the bottom. But if water were highly compressible, sunken ships would hang and swing with pendulous motion between the spray and the ooze.

Army records show that these horrible aerial diseases affect ready nearly one-quarter of the total population. That ought to be a warning.

A well-advised president, carrying disease with him, would destroy with that disease more human beings than with his fist. Clergymen might well look into this matter.

Every sporting editor knows the statements made here are true, and that the decline of a young fighter's health, when disease from within has conquered him.

Lloyd George warns little nations against annexing territories not their own. He says, "It is a most fatal error for any people, great or small."

What would be said to that by the Emperor of the East? The Emperor of India and brought back Cyprus in his hand-bag from Berlin.

What would be said by the people of other nations? The North and of South Africa, the North and of the Continent? They were good, hard collectors, and should be patient with their slaves. Slaves and others trying to gather a little real estate before the war dust settles.

## Today

Judge Landis' Web.  
Two Railroad Items.  
Jack Johnson's Confession.  
Prize Ring and Disease.  
By Arthur Brisbane

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Judge Landis in Chicago gathers in the web of justice a collection of criminals that rob ignorant men and women of their Liberty Bonds, giving them worthless stock in exchange.

It is a pleasure to read of Judge Landis verbally skinning alive these criminals. Having got them in the web of justice, Judge Landis will keep these criminals there if they be guilty. They will not escape.

In another case Judge Landis, to whom all criminals look alike, around the country by imposing a fine of many millions on a corporation that was robbing the people on a vast scale. That corporation escaped Judge Landis' web.

Many centuries have passed since Anacharsis, the Greek, was first to remark that men make their laws as spiders build their webs—strong enough to hold the little flies, not strong enough to hold the big ones.

Two Items in American railroad. The "Twentieth Century," the fastest train between New York and Chicago, ran what is called a "double header" yesterday. They could not get one train long enough to carry the crowd. All space is occupied for many days to come. That means active business. Americans begin to travel, and on the fastest train, as soon as they feel prosperous.

Railroad item number two: On the Big Four line, at Carey, O., a postman, unnamed, was writing, shot himself. He left a memorandum to the effect that the Supreme Being might see him to help President Wilson settle the peace. Legend has it that a postscript to the effect that he was tired of living. This particular man, probably, was sane, but others perfectly sane can sympathize with him.

Mr. Johnson, colored man, was defeated in a prize fight, and years ago in Cuba by a white person named William. Johnson confesses that before the fight began Willard's managers took a natural precaution. They arranged to pay the colored man, and he agreed to pretend that he was beaten, in order not to destroy the financial value in moving pictures and otherwise of a white man's loss. This late news is said to destroy greatly the man's self-esteem. He would rather watch others fight than do any fighting himself.

It may be mentioned, by way of comfort to the sporting ones, that since Mr. Johnson was laid down, there has been "pulled off" at least one prize fight. For particulars apply to the man who lost the fight. He is living in Holland.

His fight also went many rounds. For it lost three years ago, as though he might win. Then Battling Flat settled the matter.

The confession not surprising by the prize fighter ought to be a warning to the others. They are making for decency and against prize fighting.

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THIEF! THIEF! STOP, THIEF! Who made away with the fortune in precious gems stolen from the fashionable Alton cottages, which house Mrs. Dorothy Weston, straight, Mrs. Joseph Hoffman, and other fashionable notables? The best detectives have failed to detect and capture the thief among those qualified to solve the mystery. The whole state is in a state of suspense and many follow. All about it in the

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